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- (a) The Secretary shall:
- (1) Administer this title and the rules and regulations adopted under this title;
- (2) Develop comprehensive policies and programs to evaluate, determine, and lessen hazards that are associated with the use of radiation;
  - (3) Advise, consult, and cooperate with:
    - (i) Experts in the field of radiation control;
    - (ii) Other agencies of this State;
    - (iii) The federal government;
    - (iv) Other states;
    - (v) Interstate agencies;
    - (vi) Affected groups;
    - (vii) Affected political subdivisions; and
    - (viii) Affected industries;
- (4) Accept and administer, according to law, any available loans, grants, and other funds or gifts for carrying out the Secretary's powers and duties under this title;
- (5) Collect and publish health education information about protection from radiation hazards;
- (6) Review all radiation source plans and specifications that are submitted under the rules and regulations adopted under this title;
  - (7) Inspect, to determine any possible radiation hazard:

- (i) Sources of radiation;
- (ii) The shielding and immediate surroundings of radiation sources; and
- (iii) Any records that concern the operation of radiation sources; and
- (8) Keep in confidence all information about commercial and industrial processes that is obtained in carrying out this title.

## (b) The Secretary may:

- (1) Authorize the Baltimore City Commissioner of Health to enforce and carry out the provisions of this title in Baltimore City; and
- (2) Encourage, participate in, or conduct studies, investigations, training, research, or demonstrations that concern:
  - (i) The control of radiation hazards;
  - (ii) The measurement of radiation;
  - (iii) The effects on health from exposure to radiation; or
  - (iv) Any other related problems.

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